Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Wayne and Pansey Mae (Axland) Boysen exchanged their wedding vows on January 18, 1953, in the Church of God at Isabel, South Dakota, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, Wayne and Pansey gave life and love to four children: Charlene, Jackie who died in infancy, Lori Ann, and Melissa, and they now have 8 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Wayne spent his working career in road construction, as a ranch hand, water superintendent and chief of police in Isabel, highway maintenance for Dewey County, and in the coal mines at Firesteel; and,

Whereas, Pansey was employed as the head cook and site coordinator for the elderly meals program, worked for the Three Rivers Mental Health Center and Cheyenne River Housing Authority, and is the owner of a cleaning service; and,

Whereas, Wayne's special interests are horses, rodeos, and auction sales, and Pansey enjoys cooking, baking, crafts, cleaning, music, gardening, crossword puzzles, and genealogy, and they both thoroughly enjoy helping and spending time with their family; and,

Whereas, The newly-wed couple of 50 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, A 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration will be held in their honor from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on June 28, 2003, at the Isabel Community Center to commemorate this special occasion:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 18, 2003, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State